

Ash, Christine

From: Brock, Frank
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 11:32 AM
To: Ash, Christine
Subject: FOIA-Responsive e-mail

Christine: the below e-mail exchange I had below appears subject to the FOIA. It's in Lotus so not sure how I should get it to you...or you can delete this top message and print/scan ther below????Frank

Re: EPA_Well_Completion_Form__copy.doc_4.doc

Jack Dahl to: Frank Brock

10/22/2012 01:01 PM

From: "Jack Dahl" <jkdahl@gw.dec.state.ny.us>
To: Frank Brock/R2/USEPA/US@EPA

As far as we know only Region 6 sent out the letters. None of the NY operators, according to IOGA, received a form for their operations in our state.

thanx

jkd

>>> <Brock.Frank@epamail.epa.gov> 10/22/2012 11:58 AM >>>

Jack: I received the following information, originally crafted by our Headquarters: Beginning on October 15, 2012, gas well completion notification provisions under the agency's April 2012 oil and gas standards take effect. Companies can meet this provision by complying with state advance notification requirements. If a state does not have an advance notification requirement, companies must inform EPA no later than two days before the well completion using hydraulic fracturing begins. Companies may submit this notification electronically or in writing. EPA finalized this common-sense approach after receiving important feedback from industry, states, and others during the 100-day open and transparent public comment period. Companies have until 2015 to meet the green completion requirements in the final rule. Notifying permitting authorities is a routine and well-established step under the Clean Air Act. Notification provisions were included in both the agency's July 2011 proposal and April 2012 final rule, which allows continued, responsible growth in U.S. oil and natural gas production.

In Region 2, as is the case nationally, the required notification can be e-mailed to EPA via the following web page:

<http://www.epa.gov/airquality/oilandgas/implement.html>

We are still checking here to be sure but are not aware of any written notifications being sent to New York operators by the Region or by our Headquarters. Frank

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Thank you. Did your region send out any of the forms to NY operators?

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>>> <Brock.Frank@epamail.epa.gov> 10/22/2012 9:55 AM >>>

Sorry Jack! I was on vacation last week. This frac'ing notification requirement is, I believe, a new Clean Air Act requirement. I'm checking with our Air Program people to see what kind of notification procedures, if any, they have set up. Frank

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Date: 10/16/2012 08:59 AM
Subject: EPA_Well_Completion_Form__copy.doc_4.doc

The email on the form looks like its from EPA Region 6. Does Region 2 have a similar requirement? I had not heard of this requirement previously.

thanx

jkd[attachment "EPA_Well_Completion_Form__copy.doc_4.doc" deleted by Frank Brock/R2/USEPA/US]

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